figures of a Big Registration Usually Found to Be Exaggerated-Part Time Classes in Brooklyn for the Most Part -An Easy Problem in Manhattan.

The streets of New York will be quieter aday at times than they have been for the last ten weeks, thanks for which are ine to the opening of the public schools Ball playing and other juvenile games will be suspended while the youngsters turn their faces toward the big buildings where they are to be drilled in the three Rs and in C. M. S., or cooking, music and sewing. The principals of the various schools

his porning's work, which is to receive he children and begin arranging them into classes. Not all of the children who want to go to school show up on the week of preliminary work, and so to-day and for sev eral days to come the teaching staff will be engaged principally in the work of registration and the formation of classes.

In a big school where there are several thousand pupils this sifting out process is quite a task, and it usually takes about a week before the children get down to the outine of study. The teachers have been enjoying a vacation as well as the sch and they come back from Lake George, Asbury Park and other resorts for schoolma'ams with a good tan on their faces and a new stock of patience.

They will have need of much patience to-day, for multitudes of interrogation points will invade the schools and want to know. If the child is under 6 years it cannot be received, and the mother will want to know the why and wherefore. If there is doubt about the six year limit and a demand is made for the birth certificate and it is not handy, then there is trouble between the mother and the registering teacher. The children themselves are mostly of an inquiring turn of mind and manage to keep the teachers busy in supplying information.

ing information.

Because of the reports in recent years of overcrowding, many children apply for admission in the week of registration at more than one school, so that they may be sure of getting a seat in one. This duplication would account, to some extent, for the enormous figures of the school enrolment enormous figures of the school enrolment as officially announced each year. When the official announcement is made public interest is directed to the size of the school population. The figures of the enrolment create amazement, and no wonder, for the figures are misleading and give an extrava-gant idea of the number of children actually

gant idea of the number of children actually attending school.

As an illustration, it is a matter of record that City Superintendent Maxwell reported that for the school year of 1904 and 1905 the net enrolment was 655,503. The public was amazed at the number of children to be educated, but Dr. Maxwell also says that the daily average attendance was only that the daily average attendance was only 487,005. What became of the 168,498 chil-dren reported to be on the books? Perhaps the error could be found in the system of department bookkeeping.

Reliable figures of the number of pupils

Reliable figures of the number of pupils cannot be arrived at under the present methods before the end of September, when the duplications and other errors will have been eliminated. A remarkable feature in the department's bookkeeping is shown in the difference between the average registration and the average attendance for 1904-1905; the latter was 64.101 less than the former. Does this mean that more than 64,000 children were truants? Or is the registration no more accurate than the enrollment?

A great deal has been said in recent years about the great increase in the number of pupils at each annual opening of the elementary schools. The increment was said to be steadily rising; the large figures were generally accepted without too close a scrutiny; the financial authorities generously handed out about \$32,000,000 a year and the public took if for granted that there

a scrutny; the mancial authorities generously handed out about \$32,000,000 a year and the public took it for granted that there was just cause for pride in the vast number of school children and the enormous amount of money spent on their education. Two years ago it was given out at the Board of Education that the annual increases expected to be about 40,000 that year.

How were the expectations realized?

The most authentic figures are those from the records in the City Superintendent's office, and here they are: On September 30,

1804, the increase in registration over the same day and month of the previous year was just 6.830. On the same day and month last year the annual increase was 14,991. Going back to 1903, it is found that the antoning back to 1908, it is found that the annual increase was 36.522, something unusual increase was explained by the new rule to admit every child over 6 years that applied.

The main part of the trouble to-day over

The main part of the trouble to-day over the lack of seats will be in Brooklyn. Any little shifting of the population from one part of the city to another catches the school authorities unprepared to supply school accommodation and Brooklyn has been growing some within the past few years. The Board of Education never anticipates expansion of the city in any particular direction. It waits until a certain section has acquired its population and then it starts to build schools. As it takes from two to four years to put up a school after the subject is first brought up there will be a shortage of seating capacity in the borough across the river for some time to come.

The number of part time classes is likely

some time to come.

The number of part time classes is likely to be increased in that borough at the opening this year. There were 40,971 such pupils there last May. The part time problem in the continuous casting casy, because the Manhattan is getting easy, because the number of school children is decreasing. The falling off was first observed last

THE VULTURES' BREAKFAST. Cat and Rat Share a Common Fate in Central Park Zoo.

A big rat that was in search of food at the back of the restaurant near the Arsenal in Central Park and was scared away by the cook yesterday, ran out on the lawn at the back of the building. Under a clump of bushes right there was a homeless tiger cat in a crouching position watching sev-eral sparrows that were hopping about in.

eral sparrows that were hopping about in search of stray crumbs.

When the cat saw the rat she put after it and the rat headed for the eagle cage as a place of safety. Pussy was the better runner and had almost secured the prize when the pursued sprang upon the stone coping and got into the cage. He ran over to a corner in which there was a small heap of sand for the big birds, and got into a burrow.

The golden eagles up on the perch blinked at the visitors in front of their cage and over-looked what took place in their immediate neighborhood. The pair of Griffon vultures in the adjoint of the pair of the p in the adjoining compartment were more vigilant, and like the sparrows, the cat and the rat they were thinking of breakfast. The rat poked its nose out of the hole in the sand and thinking the coast was clear bassed over the coast was clear based over the co passed over to the next compartment.

The cat stole along the coping on the outside to seize its prey when it should come out.

It was no intent them intended victim side to seize its prey when it should come out. It was so intent upon its intended victim that it took no notice of the vulture that hopped down from its pyramid of stones and made its way to the inside of the coping. The talons of the big bird of prey seized the cat in a grip from which there was no escape and dragged it under the meshed wire into the cage. Pussy writhed and spat and clawed in an attempt to get away from the enemy and knocked some feathers from her captor, but the claws of both feet had too strong a hold upon her. Then the big bird jabbed her in the side were too much for the nine lives, if she thad then, and there wasn't much left of perch.

His mate had pounced on the rat, and while the two were disposing of their prey the eagles looked down with envy. but dared not butt is



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